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Parties who left orders for Portfolio No. 1 of the Naval Series can get it by calling at this office.

Prof. Ghosh says that if we reckon the average depth of the ocean at three miles there would be a layer of salt 200 feet thick in their basin should the water of all suddenly evaporate.

The Oddfellows Widows and Orphans Home at Lexington will be dedicated in October, the day after the adjournment of the Grand Lodge. Judge M. J. Durham of Lexington will be orator on the occasion.

The suit of the Maysville and Lexington Turnpike Road Co. vs. Wiggins, taken up from Nichols county, was ordered advanced and set for hearing at an early day in the September term of the Court of Appeals.

Representative David H. Smith is at the head of a movement to build in Hodgenville, a home for the disabled soldiers of the present war with Spain. The home is to be a memorial to President Lincoln, who was born in Hodgenville.

**FLOTSAM—JETSAM—LIGAN!**

**NEWS NOTES FROM NATURE'S GREAT HIGHWAY.**



About 25 big rats of timber came out of the Big Sandy river on the present run.

The Harry Brown is towing empties from the Mississippi river to Cincinnati, to be taken from them to Pittsburgh by the small boats.

Lock No. 4 on the Monongahela reported a rise of 4 feet yesterday morning, and the rivermen are unable to account for it, as there was no rainfall at that point. Some of the rivermen believe that a mistake was made in sending the report, but even if the news is correct it will not have much effect on the Ohio river.

Representative Acheson of Pennsylvania has submitted to the Office of War a bill to tax the towns of Washington county, Pa., signed by several thousand persons, which read as follows: "Feeling that the preservation of the Sabbath as a day of rest and quiet, free from all unnecessary work, is one of the greatest safeguards to American liberty, we respectfully request that the gates of the Monongahela river be closed on the Sabbath day to all unnecessary travel. Your petitioners are moved to this action by reason of the numerous Sunday pleasure excursions."

"The petitioners only wish that there were gates to close in order that some of the Cincinnati excursions could be kept out of Maysville."

"The Oregon and Marquette, with their 14,000 miles trips, broke the record for warehousing recently," says the Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph. "But Peace had her victories no less renowned than those of war," and it will astound most readers when they come to look at the achievement of a simple Pittsburgh towboat. The Smoky City delivered at New Orleans a record breaking trip, both to speed and tonnage of coal carried. The former was 18 days for a distance of 2,000 miles, and the latter amounted to the stupendous weight of 36,000 tons, and required a single steamer.

The area of the town, over 800 feet long, measured over five acres. It is altogether likely that the Smoky City managed as many tons of coal as do the 30 odd vessels carrying General Shafter's expedition. It is only by comparison with such efforts as the naval concourses alluded to that a just appreciation of the work done by Pittsburgh boats can be had." The towboat Captain B. Williams, a few weeks ago, in a letter to the paper, succeeded in delivering at New Orleans a tow of coal containing over 50,000 tons. This is the largest tow on record.

Proprietary stamps must be affixed conspicuously on the outside of the article or package, and where practicable, so that the opening of the article or package will destroy the stamp. All such stamps must be plainly cancelled when affixed by writing with a hand stamp the initials of the party or firm who paid the tax and the year when affixed.

Collectors should make orders at once for proprietary and documentary stamps in quantities and of the denominations desired for a two month's supply.

Stamps for checks and drafts will be imprinted upon the paper or instruments in the cities of New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Atlanta, and San Francisco, and it is expected that such imprinted stamps will be ready for delivery before July 1st.

All orders for such stamps will be made through Collectors and forwarded to the stamp agent at the place where such stamps are imprinted. If necessary the 2 cent documentary stamp may be used on bank checks, drafts, etc.

Private dies for printing proprietary stamps will be prepared and furnished to such proprietors as desire them and comply with the provisions of Section 9 of the Act of June 13th, 1898. All designs for dies and applications for stamps must be submitted to this office through Collectors. All engraving will be done by the Government, at the expense of proprietors, and deposits to cover cost of dies and the price of stamps (not less than \$2,000 at one time) must be made before the stamps will be printed. Manufacturers of proprietary articles will be required to use the general proprietary stamps until stamps can be furnished from their designs.

Collectors will retain applications for private dies and stamps thereafter until regulations prescribing methods and means of securing same are issued. The regulations relative to the stamp provisions of the Revenue Act, approved 13th inst., will be issued and distributed in a few days.

Proprietary stamp schedule, B-1, §. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25 and 50 cents. Proprietary stamp schedule, B-1, §. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 cents.

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The Chief Burgess of Pittsburgh, Pa., Mr. George E. Shaffer, told his son that he ever used in his family during forty years of keeping them care consipation, sick headache and stomach and liver troubles. Small in size but great in results. Henry W. Ray, Postoffice Dragster.

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# READY TO FIGHT.

All of Gen. Shafter's Troops Are Now on the Soil of the Island of Cuba.

THE LANDING COMPLETED THURSDAY.

The American Soldiers Will Now Push Forward Aggressively, Driving in the Spaniards.

It is Believed in Washington That the Enemy Will Make Their Strongest Stand Close to Santiago De Cuba and the Inner Harbor.

**WASHINGTON,** June 24.—Secretary Alger and Gen. Miles were in conference at the War Department after 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon when the first Madrid bulletin announcing that fighting had begun was shown to them. The secretary read it aloud with evident satisfaction and both of them expressed themselves gratified with this favorable report coming as it did from the enemy. There was no surprise that the fighting had begun so soon. It was suggested by the reporter that the two had concluded their landing only Thursday morning.

"Yes, but they have gone there to fight and are ready to begin at once," replied Gen. Miles. Secretary Alger said no word had been received up to that hour indicating that fighting was in progress. He had no reason to doubt, however, that our troops had encountered the Spanish forces and had given good account of itself. He said he had read Adm. Cervera's cable that the situation was "critical" and that the Spaniards had been obliged to retire, as in strange contrast with Madrid's claim of a "Spanish victory."

Gen. Miles said that the American troops would now push forward aggressively, driving in the Spanish and forcing them to fight. There was not a suggestion of apprehension or doubt either with Secretary Alger or Gen. Miles as to what the outcome would be. They had made their plans well and they were confident Gen. Shafter and his troops would be hammering at the gates of Santiago before long.

The impression here is that the Spaniards will make their strongest stand close to Santiago and the inner harbor within the range of protection of the guns of the big Spanish cruisers that lie there. There is no doubt that until the American troops are drawn from the field of operations the campaign against Santiago will be conducted against odds. The guns of the ships command the hills over which our soldiers must come to attack the town and reach the bay, but we will soon bring our own artillery into play. The naval officials here believe that when the time comes for an attack by land on the city the Spaniards will force him into the harbor and take part in the engagement. They are satisfied the wreck of the Merrimac does not completely block the channel, and say if Sampson does not come in the Spanish fleet is likely to make a desperate effort to get out. The mines are to be considered in such case, but it is believed that once Moro castle is taken by the combined action of the soldiers and fleet, their obstructions can be easily removed with the experience gained in Guantanamo bay.

The only positive news coming to the war department up to the close of office hours was a dispatch to Gen. Miles from one of his staff officers with Gen. Shafter, and also a brief dispatch to Gen. French from Gen. Col. Allard. Gen. French's dispatch was to the effect that the landing of troops has been completed without any casualties save to one Cuban soldier who had his arm injured by the bursting of a shell. The troops of Garcia and Rabi, about 5,700 in number, had met the Americans with enthusiastic greetings. Streets were jubilant. The soldiers were well armed and well disciplined. Gen. French was confident that his forces would be swelled to 10,000 men as soon as Santiago falls. About the only need among the Cubans was shoes and quilts.

Will Use Postage Stamps.

**WASHINGTON,** June 24.—The secretary of the treasury has decided to make temporary use of postage stamps for internal revenue purposes under the new war revenue act, and Thursday the first lot of about a million was delivered for shipment to collectors. It is estimated that about 25,000,000 postage stamps will be required to meet the needs of the service until the regular issue can be furnished in sufficient quantities.

Fatal Cloud Burst.

**GALVESTON,** Ill., June 24.—A cloud-burst at Alton, four miles northeast of Galveston, Thursday, caused the death of John Hubbell and Mrs. N. A. Anderson. Walnut creek rose 44 feet, washing out the Burlington railway tracks and flooding the country for miles around. The yards of the Galveston-Burlington Co. were damaged and there was much injury to crops.

Camara on the Way to the Philippines.

**LONDON,** June 24.—A dispatch from Madrid says Gen. Sagasta informed the chamber Thursday that Camara's squadron was on the way to the Philippines.

## BASEBALL.

The Winners Were Cincinnati, Boston, Cleveland, St. Louis, Pittsburgh and Washington.

Indians..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10-11 N. E.  
Cincinnati..... 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9-12 14 1  
Baltimore..... 0 1 2 3 0 1 0 0 4-12 18  
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Immacles..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9-10 N. E.  
Louisville..... 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9-10 11 12  
Washington..... 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9-10 11 12  
Batteries—Fraser and Kirtledge; Werling and Farrel. Umpires—Empire.

Innings..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9-10 N. E.  
Cincinnati..... 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9-10 11 12  
Brooklyn..... 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9-10 11 12  
Batteries—Young and Zimmerman; Stein and Gossage. Umpires—Anderson and Clark.

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St. Louis..... 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9-10 11 12  
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Batteries—Tutor and Sinden; Werler and Fisher. Umpires—Emile and Curly.

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Hartford—Griffith, Isbell and Donahue; Willis, Nichols and Bergen. Umpires—Swartz, Wood and Wood.



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### SPANIARDS ROUTED.

Day of the Enemy Were Killed and Eighteen Taken Prisoners of War Including One Officer.

**NEW YORK,** June 24.—The first official cablegram came from the Cuban junta direct from their government since the breaking out of the war, was received here Thursday by Senator T. Estrada Palma. It was as follows: "PLAYA DEL ESTE, June 22.—We are at Guantánamo. Position taken from the enemy Playa La Estrella. Fought with 200 men and 50 Cuban revolutionaries and 400 Spaniards. Completely beaten. Enemy's flight shameful. We captured 10 prisoners, one officer. Sixty of the enemy are dead and 19 wounded; two officers killed."

"On our part we have 2 killed and three wounded. We captured 28 Cuban rebels and 3,000 cartridges. Thursday the forces of Gen. Rabi and Brig. Castillo took Balíguir with the aid of the American volunteers. Since then we have been on retreating. Sixteen thousand American troops descended at Balíguir; Gen. García is on board the cruiser New Orleans.

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## RECRUITS GALORE

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## EQUIPAGE FOR THE COW BOY CAVALRY.

Sentences Rendered in Cases of Several Privates Who Were Charged With Sleeping on Duty.

Two Car Loads of Medicine Arrive for the Hospital Department—All the Troops Are in Excellent Health—Maj. Geo. W. Gray Married to Miss Clark.

CHICKAMAUGA, NATIONAL MILITARY PARK, Ga., June 24.—There was nothing like the orders issued in Thursday's doing among the regiments. The usual drills were practiced throughout the command and many of the regimental quartermasters were busy providing for the numerous squads of troops that arrived during Wednesday night and Thursday. Thursday's arrivals at the park exceeded in number any day yet since the first recruits were received, the number probably being in excess of 1,000. Of this number 237 was for the 3rd New York; 62 for the 14th New York; 133 for the 9th Pennsylvania; 32 for the 5th Pennsylvania; 30 for the 52d Iowas; 29 for the 1st Missouri; 30 for the 1st Maine and squads of greater or less number for the 10th Indiana, 1st West Virginia, the 1st Kentucky cavalry and the 10th Mississippi.

No one seems to have been wounded Thursday, nor had Capt. Rockwell received advice of any that are likely to arrive.

The only thing of this nature handed out for distribution Thursday was a carload of equipage for Col. Grigsby's cowboys cavalry. Two carloads of medicine arrived Thursday for the hospital department.

While other shipments will be arriving from day to day, Col. Hartman, chief of the medical department, says the shells that sank the Reina Mercedes, and the other having her boiler tubes and engines in course of repair.

The most important statement made was in substance that the torpedo boats have not since their arrival here made any attempt to leave being unable to do so. The ships have only half their supplies of coal, although some coal arrived by overland route two weeks ago.

The ship that sunk the Reina Mercedes was fired by the Massachusetts. Beyond this loss and the quite large loss of life incident to it, there was little or no damage done. The earthworks were disturbed and one smoothbore gun was dismantled on the west battery. Seven new guns are being put up facing the sea three of which, on the west, are ship's guns of the iron-riprig variety, and automatic guns of similar actions. They appear to be dismounted from the ships and mounted on the earthworks surrounding the city.

A new line of trenches has been dug about a mile and a half from the city.

The Spanish soldiers, known as the regulars, are on half rations, and no rations or supplies are furnished to the local Spanish forces numbering about 1,000. Some of them are said to be compelled to forage themselves.

The spirit of discontent, it is seen, is very widespread among the Spanish troops and an uprising in Santiago de Cuba is feared.

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Sentences were rendered in the cases of Private Poore, Payne and Lunclat, of the 5th Massachusetts, and Private Sultz, of the 21st Kansas, charged with desertion.

They were found guilty and sentenced to be hanged because they had been asleep on duty, but not having yet been reviewed by the commanding officer, the sentences have not been carried out.

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SEVERE FIGHTING.

A Battle Near Santiago in Which the Americans Drove the Spaniards Into the Mountains.

NADIR, June 24.—News of serious fighting near Santiago has been received here. Adm. Cervera cables that the situation is critical and the governor of Santiago admits the Spaniards have been obliged to retire, but a Spanish victory is claimed. Sebony and Berceo were destroyed by the American shells.

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Business circles at Kansas City are surprised by the announcement that the Citizens' National Bank, the oldest bank in the city, has been absorbed by the Union national.

The merged bank, it is said, was not doing a profitable business. Without any previous notice the two banks opened under one management.

Mrs. Baron, wife of Antonio Baron, of Buffalo, N. Y., Thursday night made a confession to the police to the effect that it was her husband who had murdered Filippo Forestano on Monday and had afterwards saved the victim's hand which was placed in the remains in a trunk and tried to pick them in the Blackwell canal.

Col. Hartman Cook late commander of the 5th infantry, U. S. A., has been retired by the medical board, before which he recently appeared at Tampa.

Col. Cook reached Atlanta Wednesday night and will leave for his home in Rhode Island in a few days. Col. Cook served with distinction through the civil war and was breveted captain for gallant and meritorious service in the battle of Atlanta.

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## REPORTS OF ENGAGEMENTS.

All Accounts of Battles in Which the Army is Engaged to Be Reported to the Adjutant General.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—Arrangements have been made by the war department by which reports of all engagements in which the army may be engaged will be made to the adjutant general of the army. The order requiring this report was issued by Gen. Miles and follows: "After every engagement with the enemy, written reports thereof will be made by commanders of regiments, battalions or squadrons, companies or detachments, and by all commanders of a higher grade, each in what concerns his own command, which reports will be forwarded through the adjutant general to the adjutant general of the army."

"Commanding officers of all detachments and independent batteries, troops or companies in the field, will forward to the adjutant general return of the number of company men present, and the number of men lost in the engagement."

"In order that the war department

may be in possession of the latest information respecting the army, all returns, memoranda, reports, etc., will be promptly forwarded when due."

House Adjourns Until Monday.

**WASHINGTON,** June 24.—The house Thursday passed some minor bills and adjourned over until Monday.

## IN GARCIA'S CAMP

A Cuban Arrives From Santiago With Maps of the Harbor and Earthworks.

## ADM. CERVERA'S SHIPS HAVE MOVED.

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Both Torpedo Boat Destroyers Temporarily Disbanded—They Have Made No Attempt to Leave the Harbor—the Spanish Soldiers on Half Nations.

IN GEN. GARCIA'S CAMP, ACRENDE

ASIA, June 23.—Via the 21st via

Kilometers, Gen. Garcia's camp, who left the city of Santiago on Monday night arrived at Gen. Garcia's camp on Tuesday morning with accurate maps of the harbors and of the earthworks surrounding it. The ships of Adm. Cervera have moved from the position they were in three days ago, and now lie in almost a circle, surrounding a small island and lighthouse about half way up the harbor.

Adm. Cervera has been ordered to

the most positive manner at the state department and in the best informed diplomatic quarters.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Times says: "The government has received an additional dispatch from Cervera not yet given to the press, which states that Spain's forces are concentrated on Santiago."

An almost total stoppage of money

order business on July 1, it is said,

has been caused by an agreement

between the officials of the treasury

and the post office departments that the law

does not require stamps to be affixed to domestic money orders.

The records of the adjutant general's office show that the actual number of officers and men mustered into the United States' service under the president's first call for 125,000 men amounted to 124,241.

Of these 3,954 were officers and 115,257

were enlisted men.

The relations between the Americans and the rebels at Manila are strained, says a dispatch from Shanghai to the Frankfurter Zeitung. It is said that the Americans can "express no sympathy with the rebels."

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